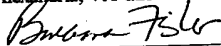


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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

Prior to taking up the case for examination, please amend the application as
follows:

The title of the International Application is as follows:

“SYSTEM FOR USE IN A BORE HOLE FOR AXIALLY COUPLING A TUBULAR
END AND A MANDREL, AND A CONNECTING ASSEMBLY FOR SUCH A
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Please replace the title with the following:

“SYSTEM FOR USE IN A BORE HOLE FOR AXIALLY COUPLING A TUBULAR
END AND A MANDREL “

Please add the following abstract: